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PREFACE

To the Parent:

When a child begins to explore outside of his home, he finds himself surrounded by the most dangerous streets and highways the world has ever known. Man can no longer depend upon his instincts for self-preservation. His only hope is in a well-grounded set of Safety Habits — habits which are so well established that they will protect him automatically against the ever-increasing complexities of modern life. Such habits must be formed in early childhood in order to protect him all through life.

It is the purpose of this book to teach little children correct Safety Habits through the Mother Goose Rhymes and Characters.

In the pages of this book the real Mother Goose Characters come to life and talk to the boys and girls about Safety Education. Even kindergarten children will enjoy the Rhymes and Pictures.

It is the belief of the author that all boys and girls who read this book will not only enjoy the Rhymes and Pictures, but will actually form correct Safety Habits which may be the means of saving their lives in later years.

Your Child May Be the Next — Give Him a Chance to Protect Himself Before It's Too Late.

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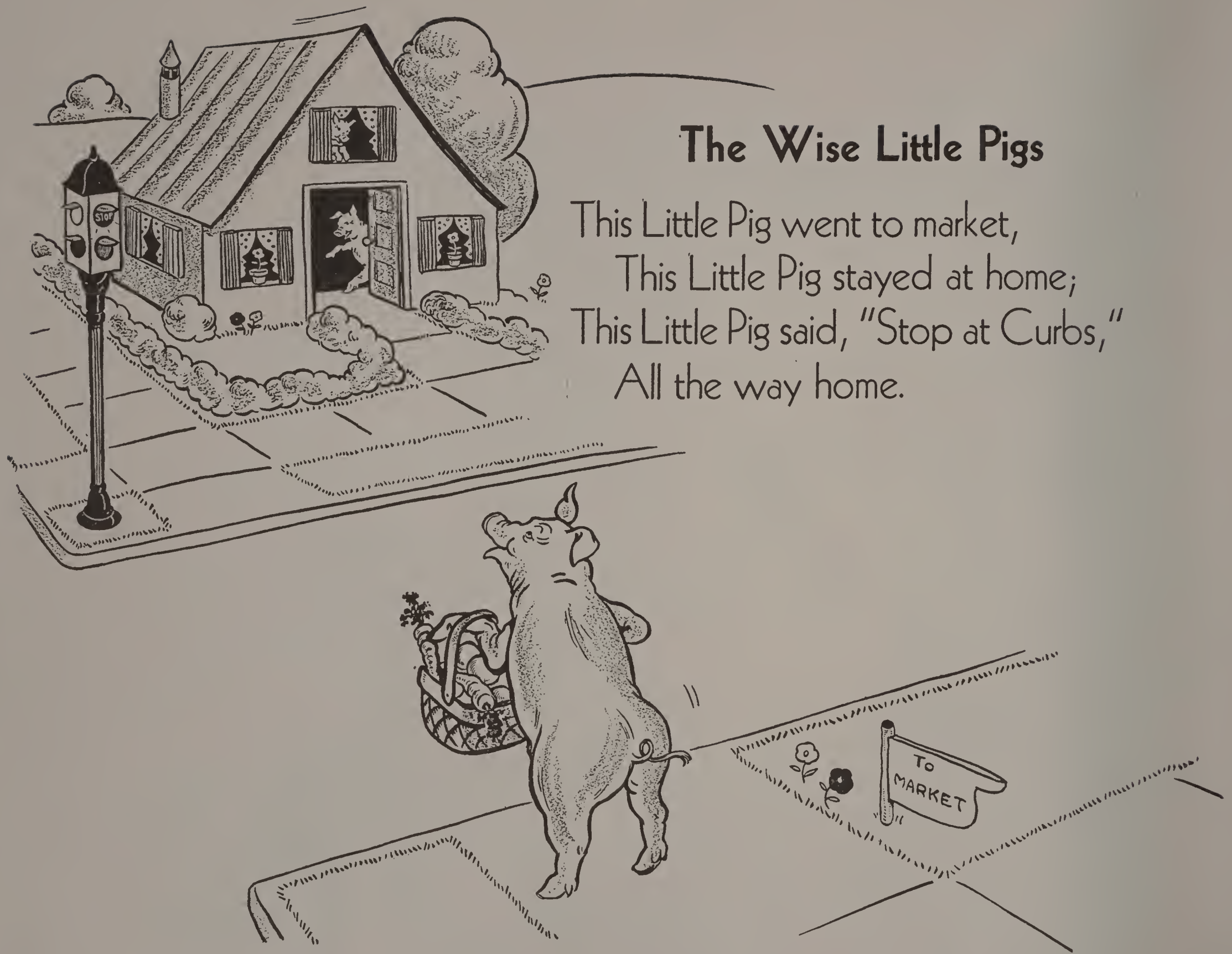
Old Mother Goose

Old Mother Goose is wise and gay,
She taught her children how to play.
Now they are happy all day long,
They run and play and sing a song.

Old Mother Goose is wise they say,
She taught her children where to play.
From early morn till the close of day,
Her children in safe places play.

ALWAYS PLAY IN SAFE PLACES



The Wise Little Pigs

This Little Pig went to market,
This Little Pig stayed at home;
This Little Pig said, "Stop at Curbs,"
All the way home.

CROSS WITH THE GREEN LIGHTS ONLY

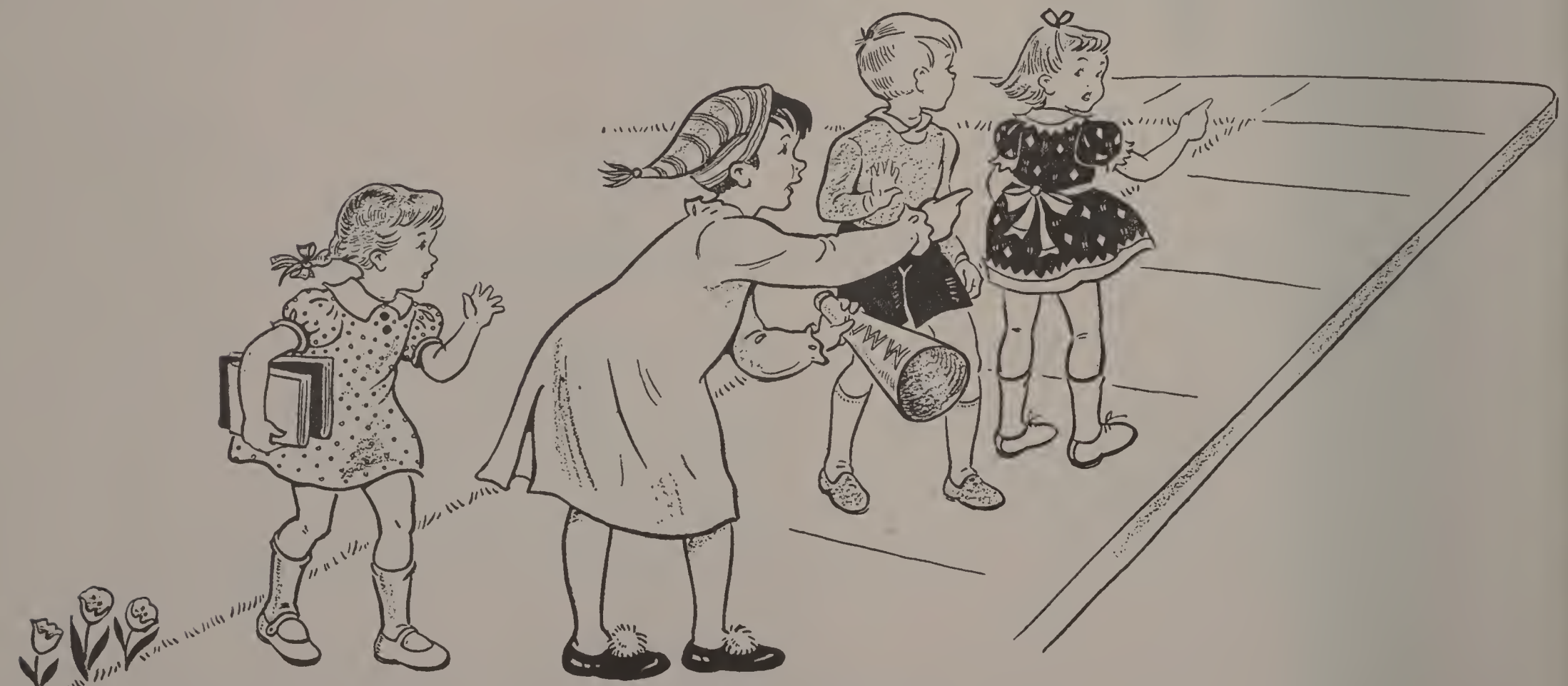
Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling

Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling, my son John,
Crossed the street with one shoe on;
Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling, now he's gone,
He crossed the street with the Red light on.

RED - YELLOW - GREEN --- STOP - WAIT - GO

Wee Willie Winkie

Wee Willie Winkie runs through the town,
Up streets and down streets in his nightgown;
Rapping at the window, crying through the lock,
"Don't cross the streets in the middle of the block."



CROSS STREETS AT CORNERS ONLY

Little Tommy Tucker

Little Tommy Tucker
Sings for his supper.
What shall he eat?
White bread and butter.
Where shall he get it?
At the corner store.
But he Stops--Looks--Listens,
When he goes for more.

ALWAYS TAKE TIME TO BE SAFE

Humpty Dumpty

Humpty Dumpty chased a big ball,
Down the street, and that was all.
All the King's doctors and all the King's men,
Cannot put Humpty Dumpty together again.

FIND A SAFE PLACE TO PLAY BALL

Cock A Doodle Doo

Cock-a-doodle doo!
My Dolly lost her shoe.
She lost it in the street,
And doesn't know what to do.

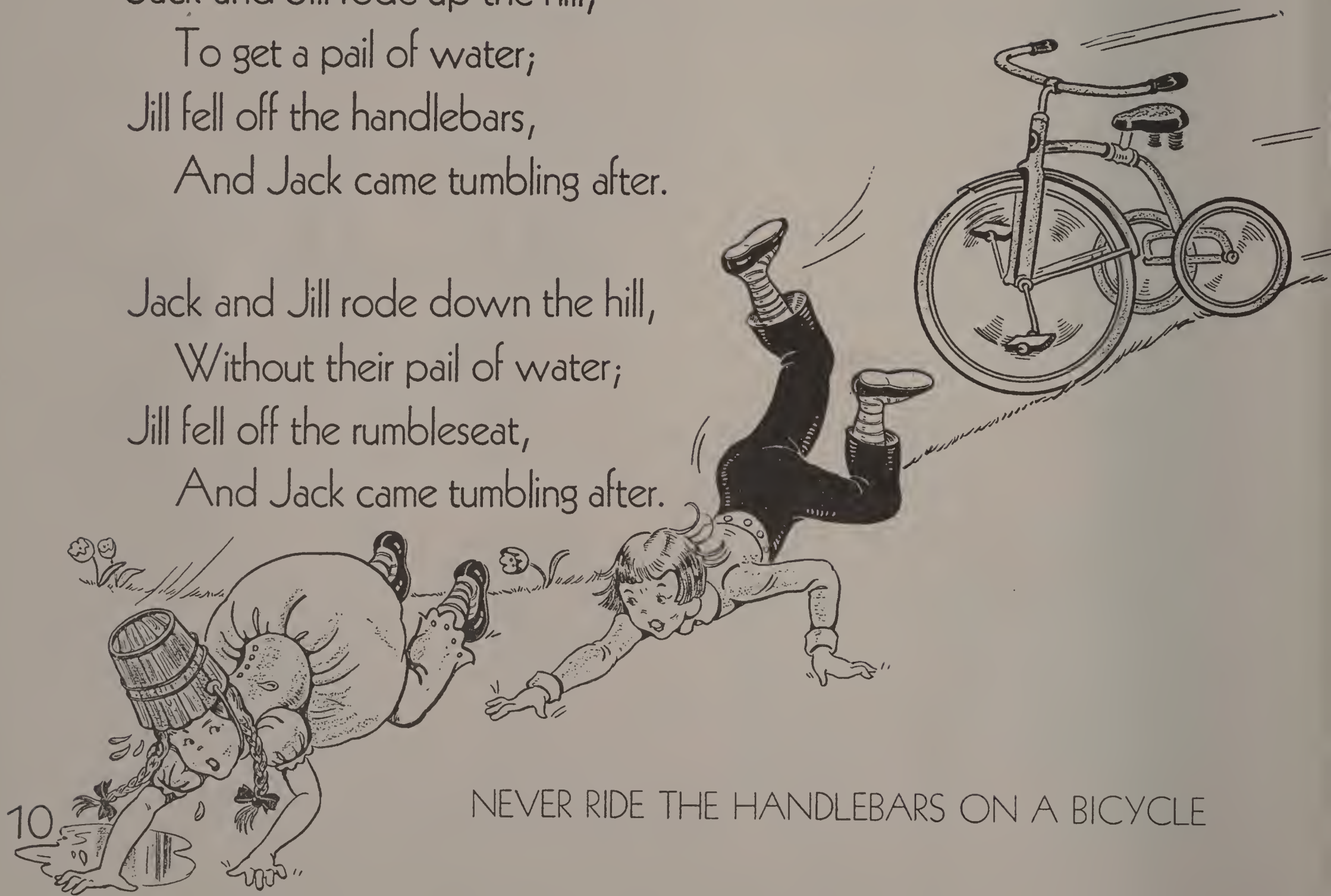
Cock-a-doodle doo!
What shall my Dolly do?
She can't go in the street,
To find her little shoe.

Cock-a-doodle doo!
Her mother found her shoe.
Dolly is so happy,
She doesn't know what to do.

Jack and Jill

Jack and Jill rode up the hill,
To get a pail of water;
Jill fell off the handlebars,
And Jack came tumbling after.

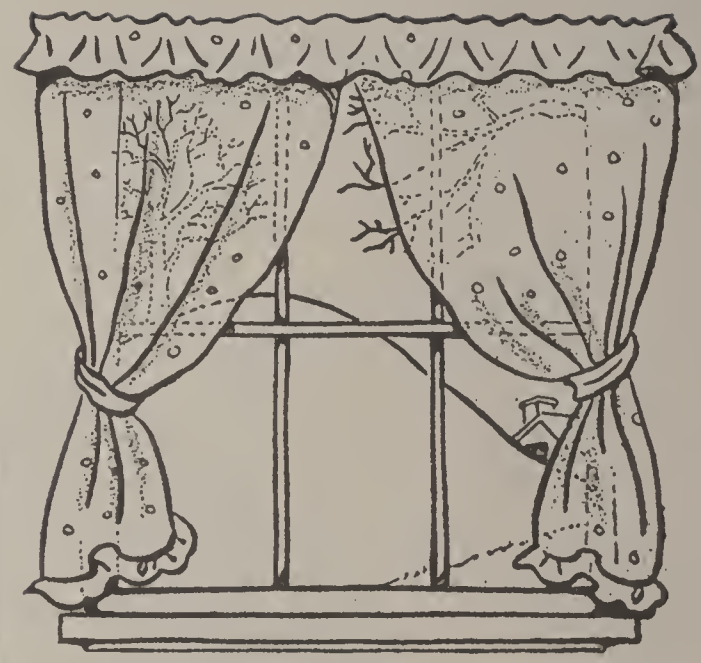
Jack and Jill rode down the hill,
Without their pail of water;
Jill fell off the rumbleseat,
And Jack came tumbling after.



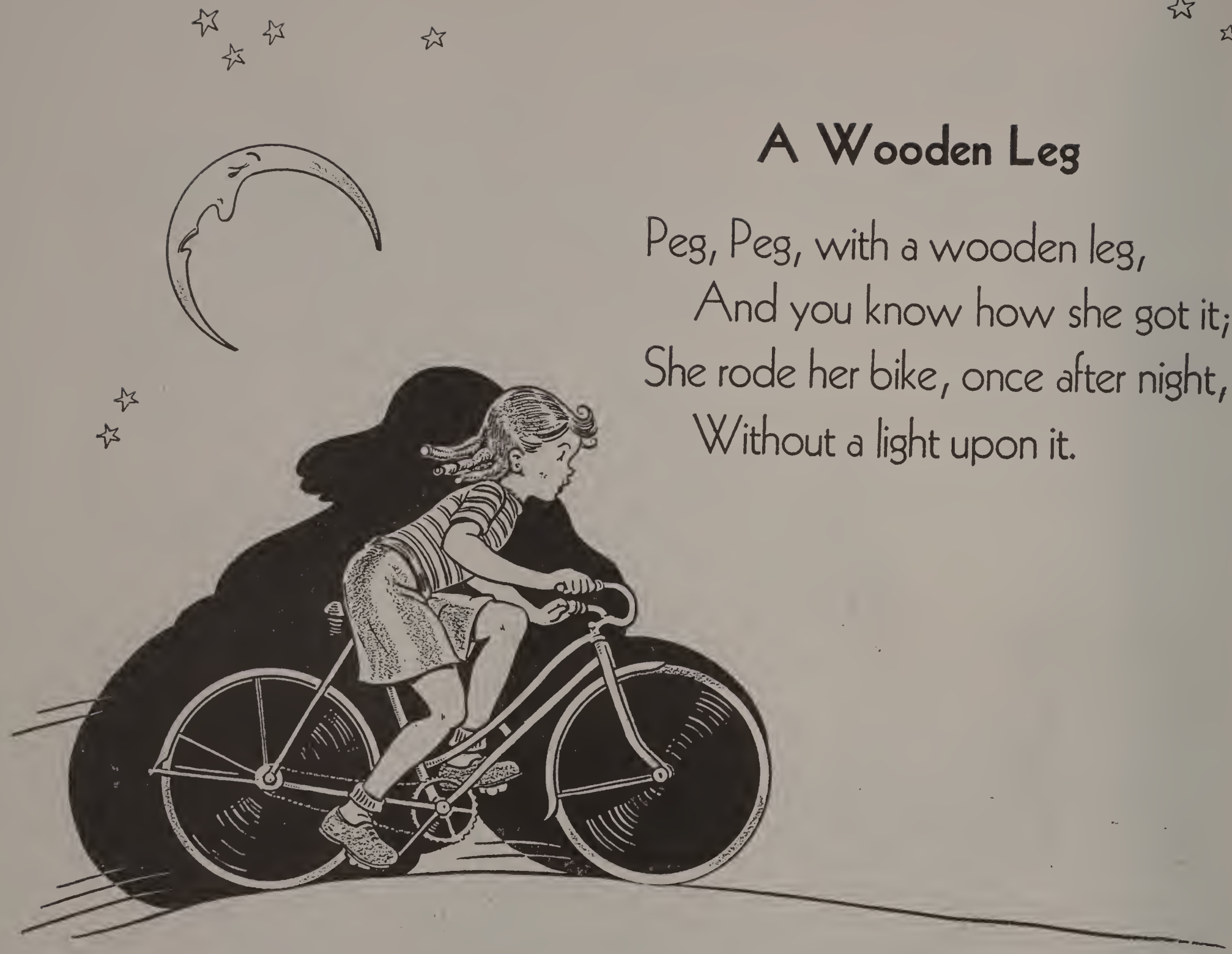
NEVER RIDE THE HANDLEBARS ON A BICYCLE

Peter, Peter, Pumpkin Eater

Peter, Peter, pumpkin eater,
Slid down hill where it was steeper;
He cracked his nose and bumped his head,
Then Mother put him right to bed.



SLIDE ON PROTECTED HILLS ONLY

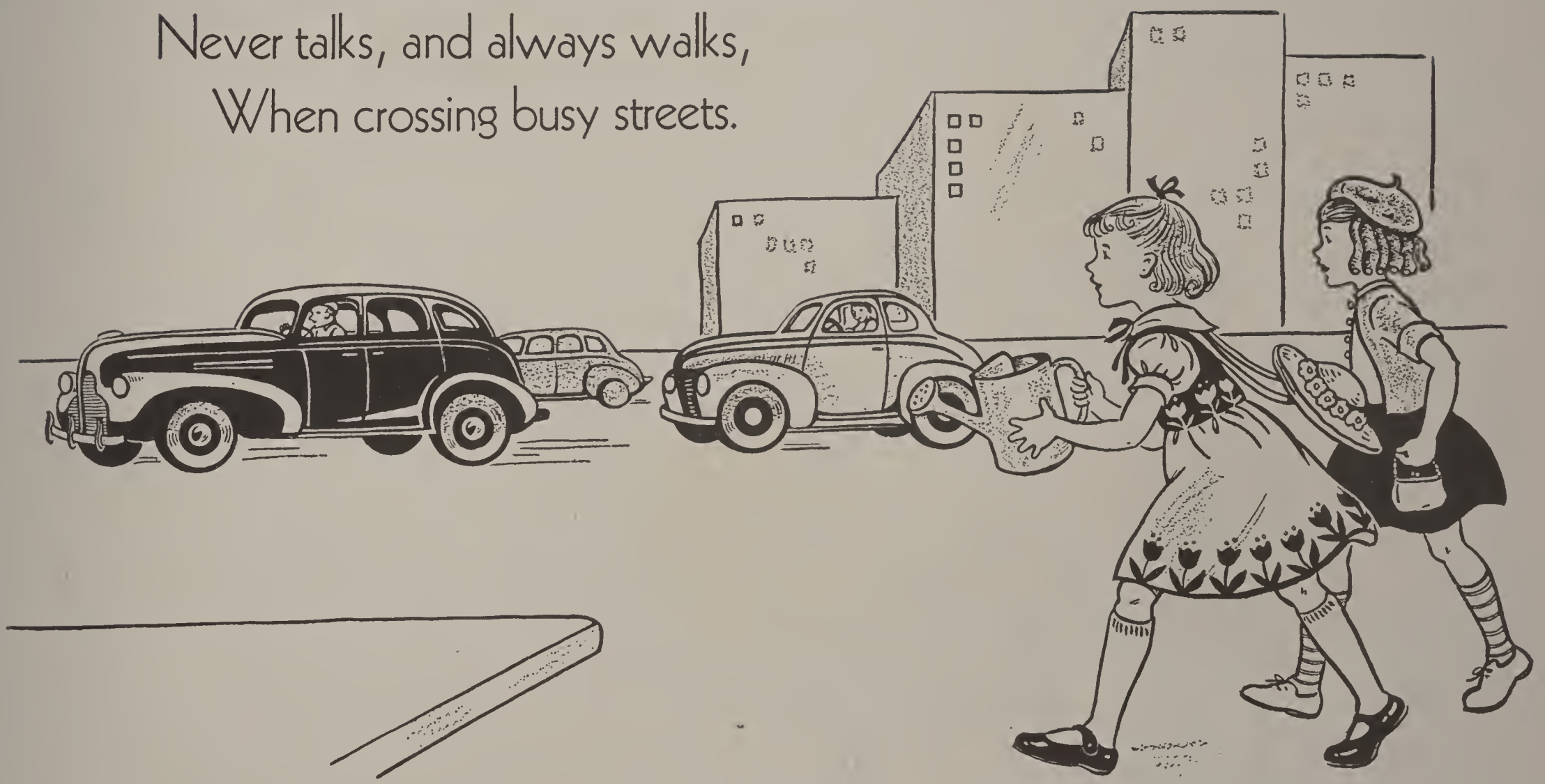


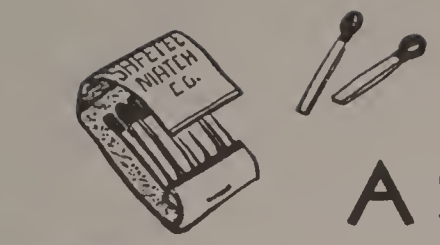
A Wooden Leg

Peg, Peg, with a wooden leg,
And you know how she got it;
She rode her bike, once after night,
Without a light upon it.

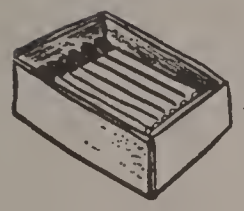
Mistress Mary, Quite Contrary

Mistress Mary, quite contrary
    When her good friends she meets;
Never talks, and always walks,
    When crossing busy streets.

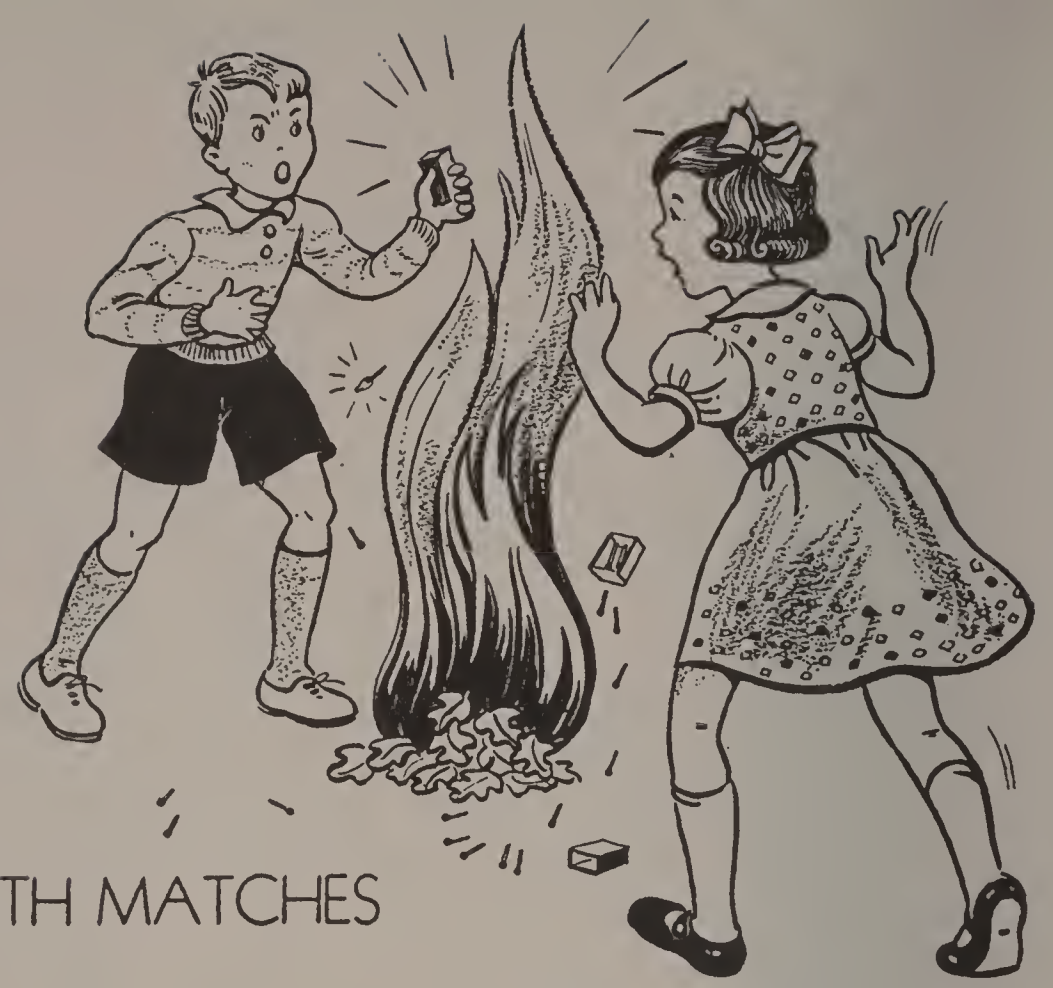




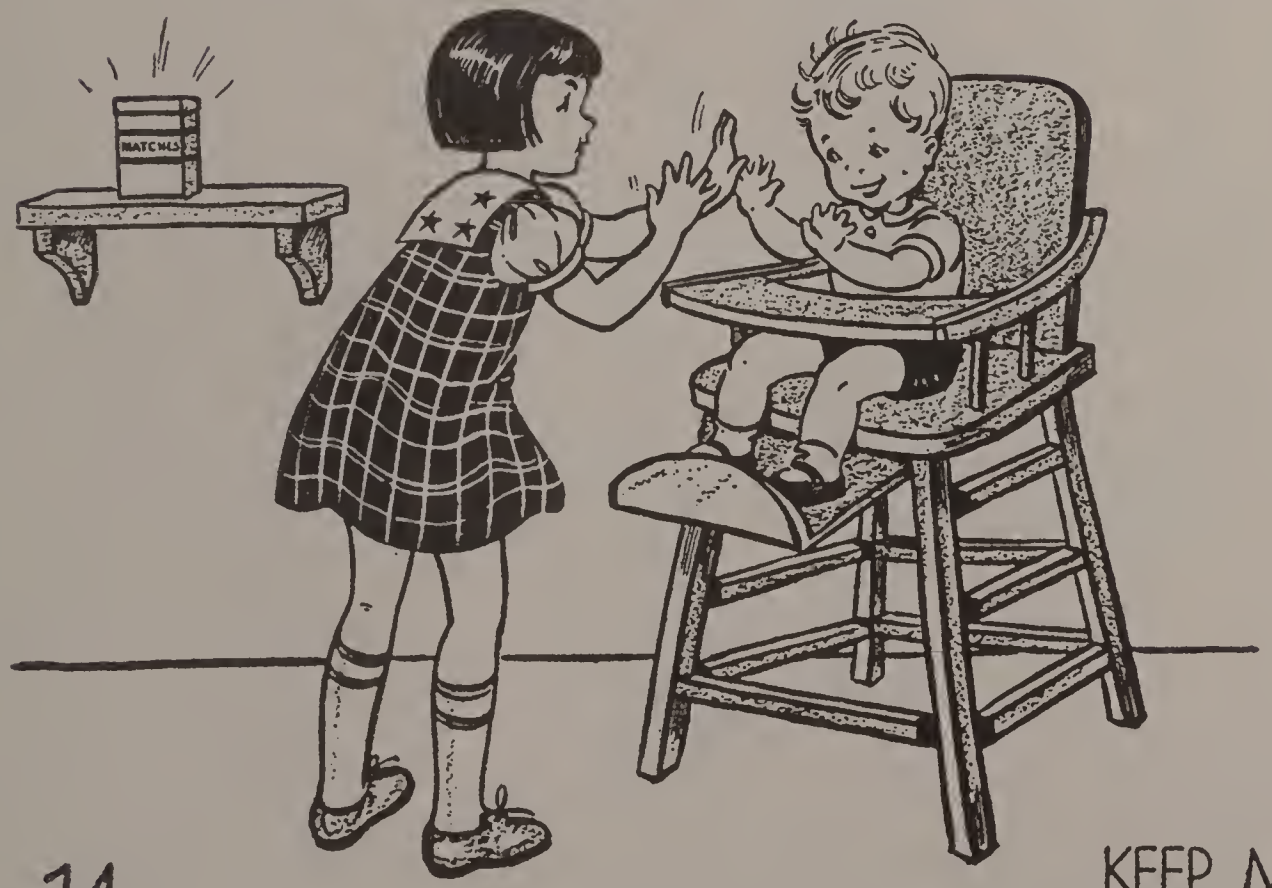
A Song of Safety



Sing a Song of Safety,
A pocket full of rye;
Do not play with matches,
Unless you want to die.



IT IS DANGEROUS TO PLAY WITH MATCHES



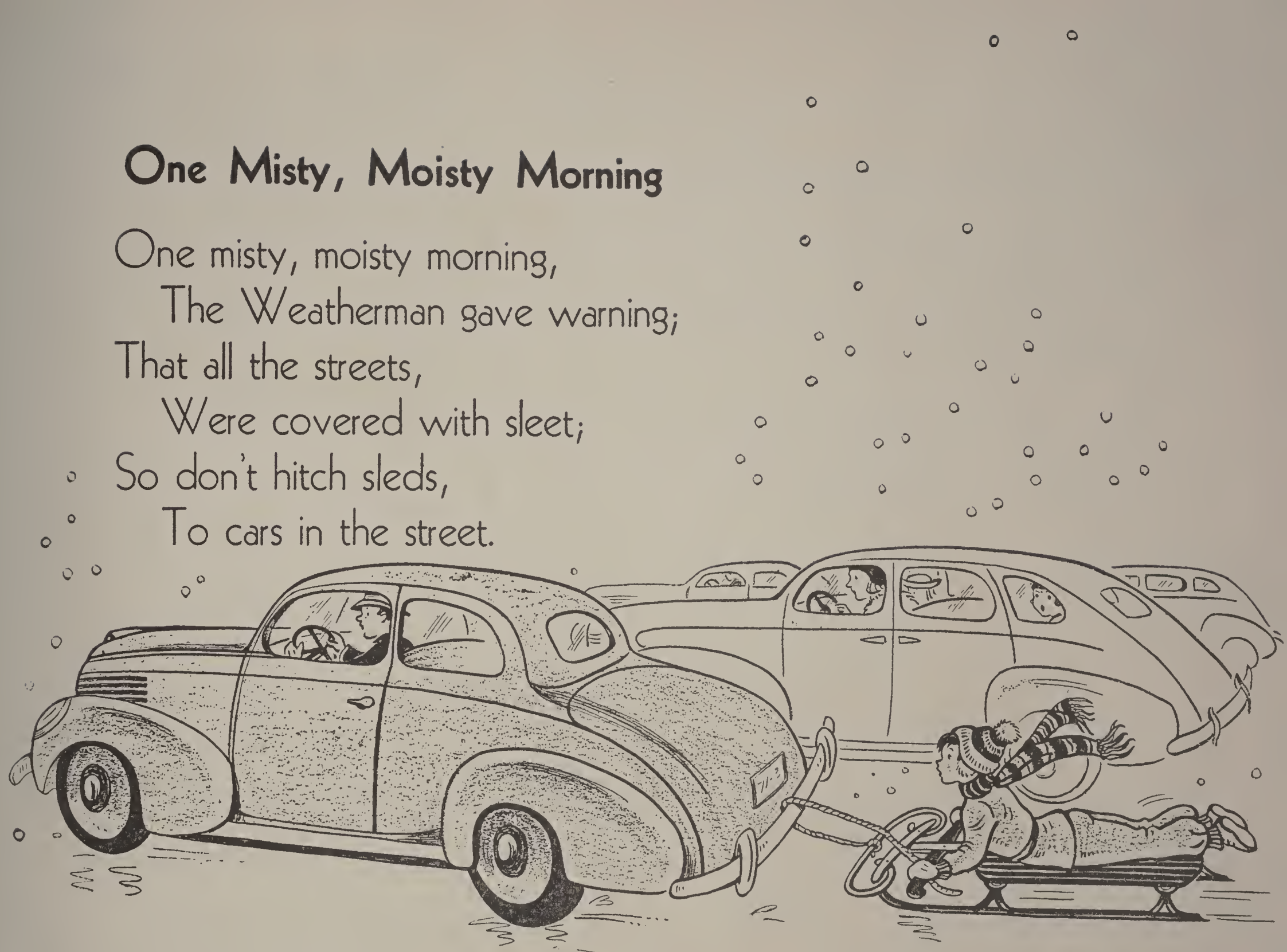
Pat A Cake

Pat a cake, pat a cake,
Careful man;
Keeps his matches,
In a big tin can.

KEEP MATCHES IN SAFE PLACES

One Misty, Moisty Morning

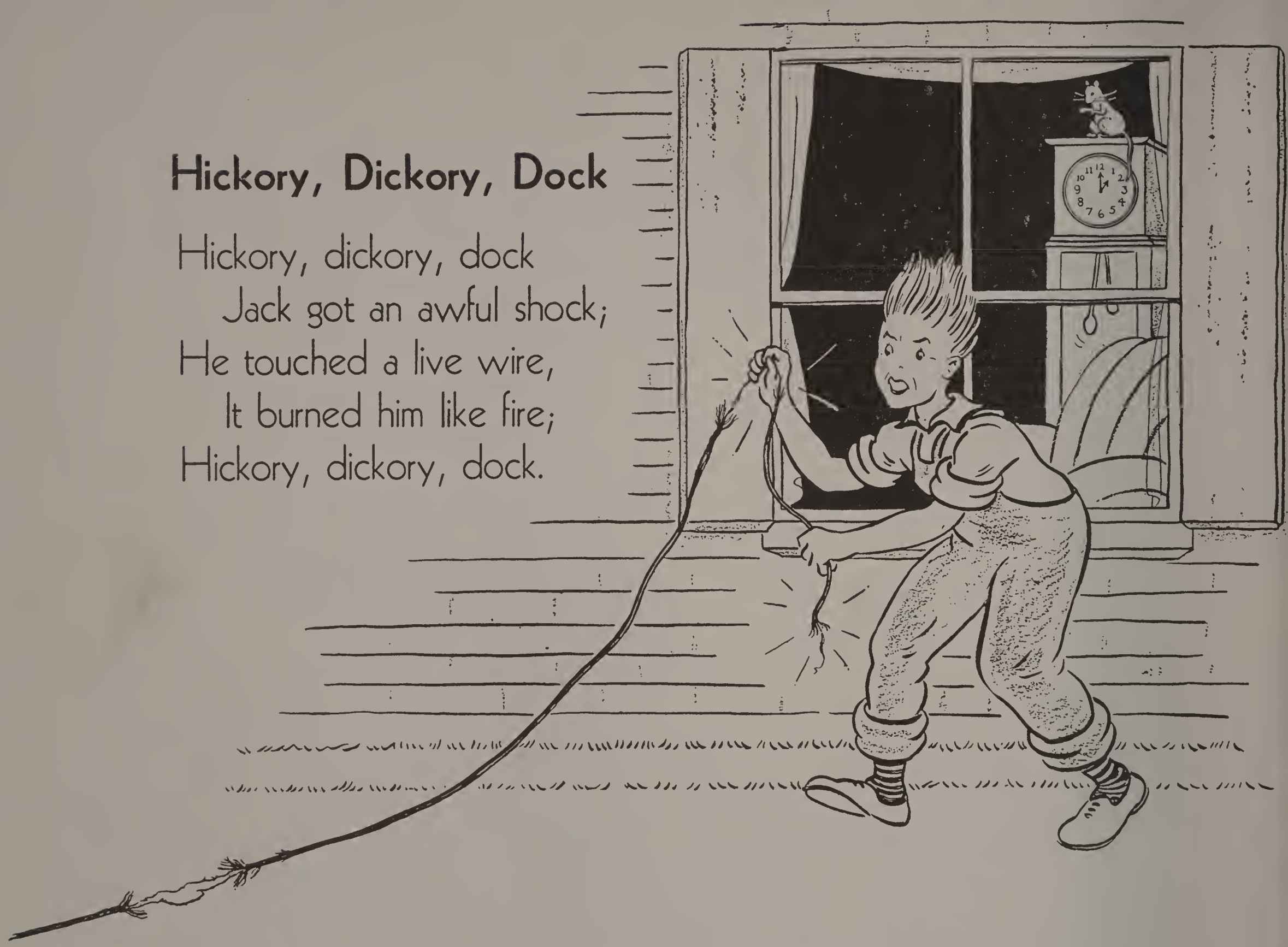
One misty, moisty morning,
The Weatherman gave warning;
That all the streets,
Were covered with sleet;
So don't hitch sleds,
To cars in the street.



NEVER HITCH SLEDS TO CARS

Hickory, Dickory, Dock

Hickory, dickory, dock
Jack got an awful shock;
He touched a live wire,
It burned him like fire;
Hickory, dickory, dock.

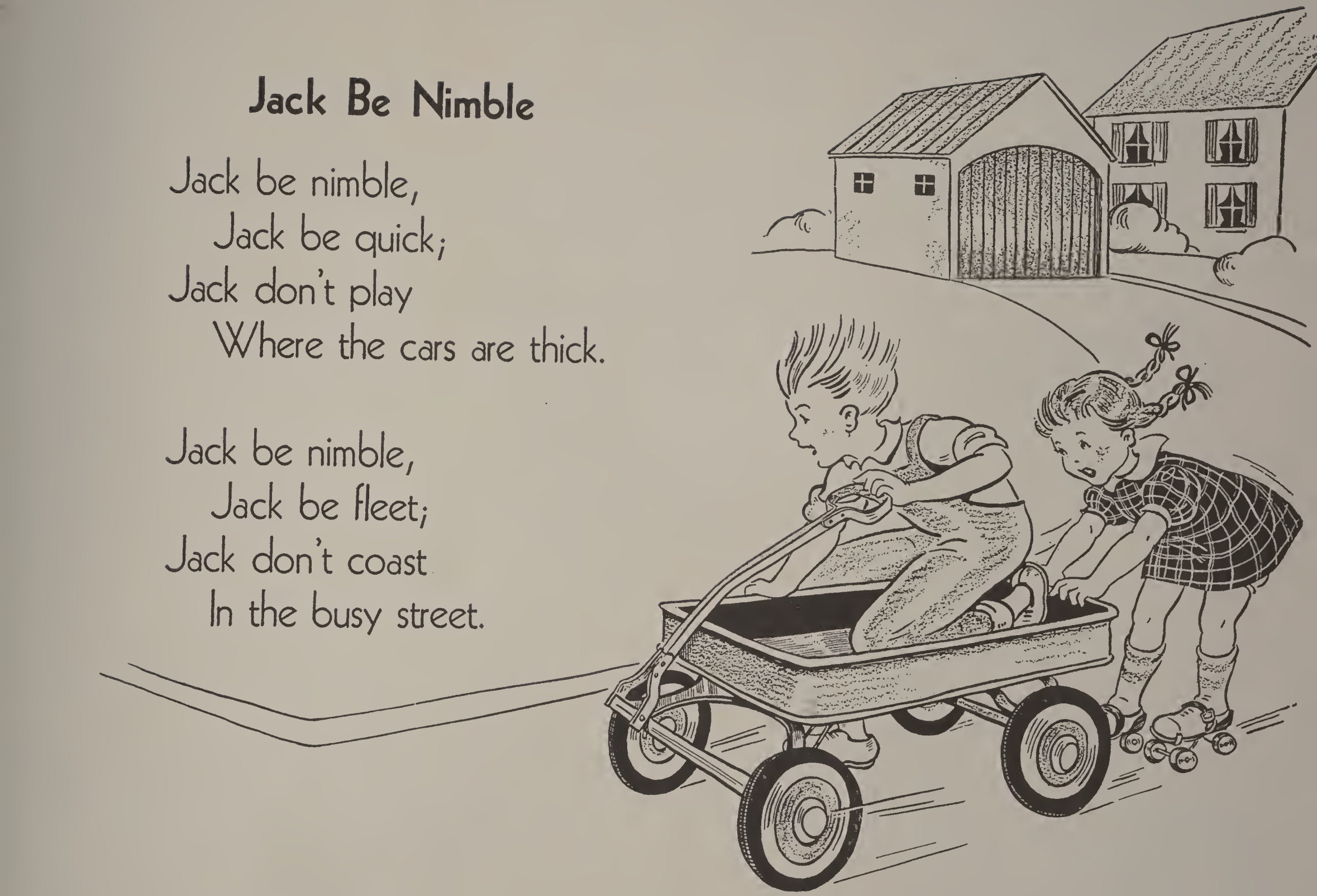


NEVER TOUCH A LOOSE WIRE IN THE STREET

Jack Be Nimble

Jack be nimble,
Jack be quick;
Jack don't play
Where the cars are thick.

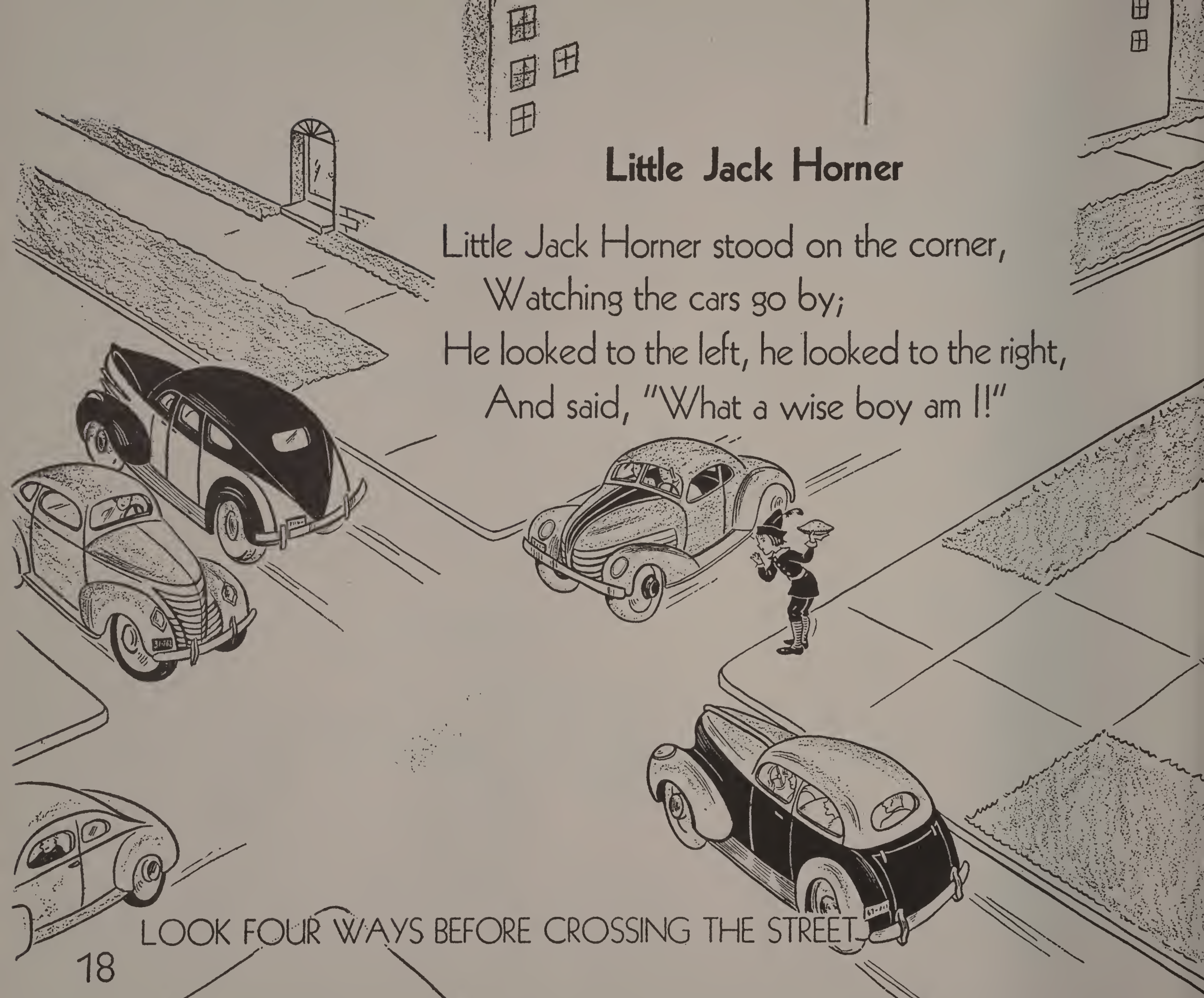
Jack be nimble,
Jack be fleet;
Jack don't coast
In the busy street.



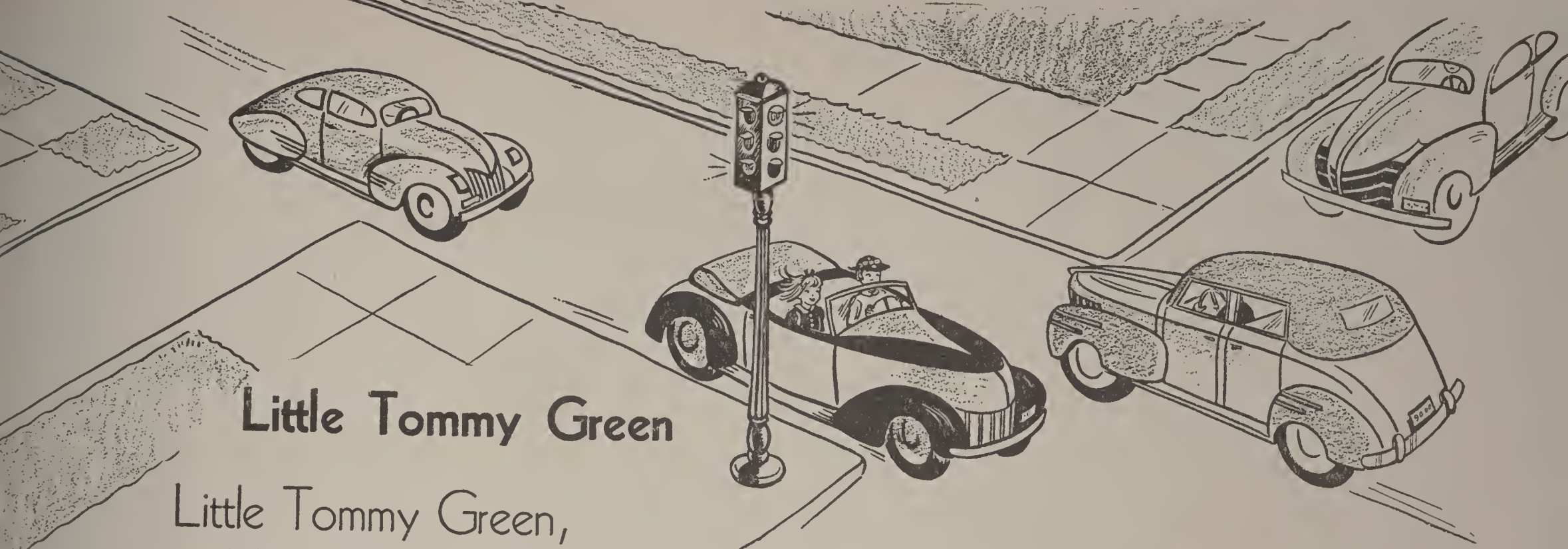
NEVER SLIDE DOWN DRIVEWAYS INTO THE STREET

Little Jack Horner

Little Jack Horner stood on the corner,
Watching the cars go by;
He looked to the left, he looked to the right,
And said, "What a wise boy am I!"



LOOK FOUR WAYS BEFORE CROSSING THE STREET



Little Tommy Green

Little Tommy Green,
You know what I mean:
Always cross the streets,
When the lights are Green.

Little Tommy Green,
Careful Tommy Green
Always crosses streets,
When the lights are Green.

OBEY TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT ALL TIMES

Play Safe

If I play safe for you,
And you play safe for me;
Then both of us will be,
As safe as safe can be.

ALWAYS OBEY THE SCHOOL PATROL

Simple Simon

Simple Simon met a pieman,
Going to the fair;
Says Simple Simon to the pieman,
"Cross the streets with care."

BETTER BE SAFE THAN SORRY

Little Bo-Peep

Little Bo-Peep has lost her sheep
And doesn't know where to find them;
Keep to the Right and you will sight
The sheep with their tails behind them.

KEEP TO THE RIGHT WHEN MEETING TRAFFIC

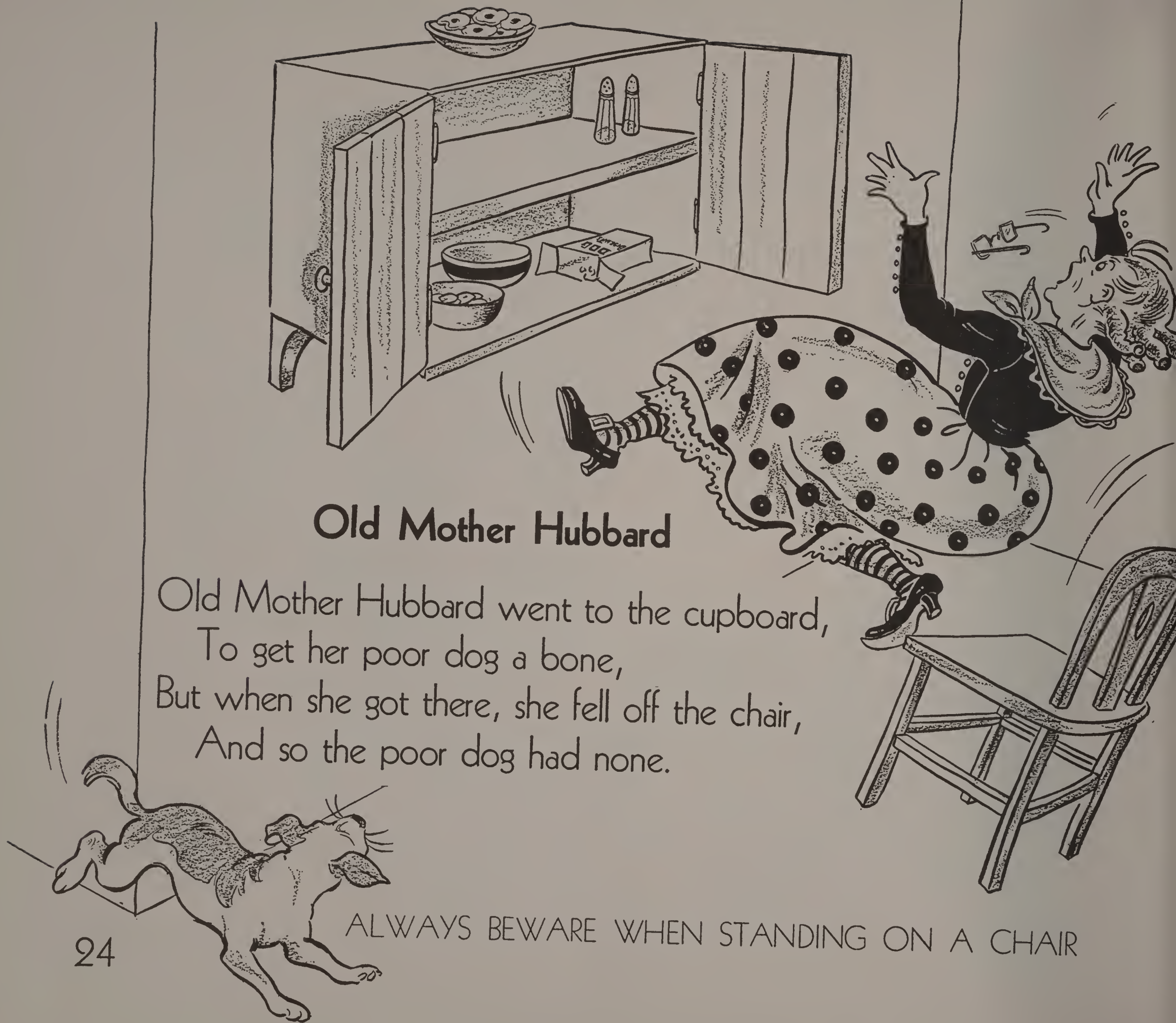
Hickety, Pickety

Hickety, pickety, my black hen,
She rides only with her friend;
Sometimes strangers ask her too,
"No," says she. "Away with you."

RIDE ONLY WITH YOUR FAMILY OR FRIENDS

Little Robin Redbreast

Little Robin Redbreast
Sat upon a tree,
Little Robin Redbreast
Chirped at me.
Little Robin Redbreast
This did say,
"Don't jaywalk,
On the big highway."



Old Mother Hubbard

Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard,
To get her poor dog a bone,
But when she got there, she fell off the chair,
And so the poor dog had none.

ALWAYS BEWARE WHEN STANDING ON A CHAIR

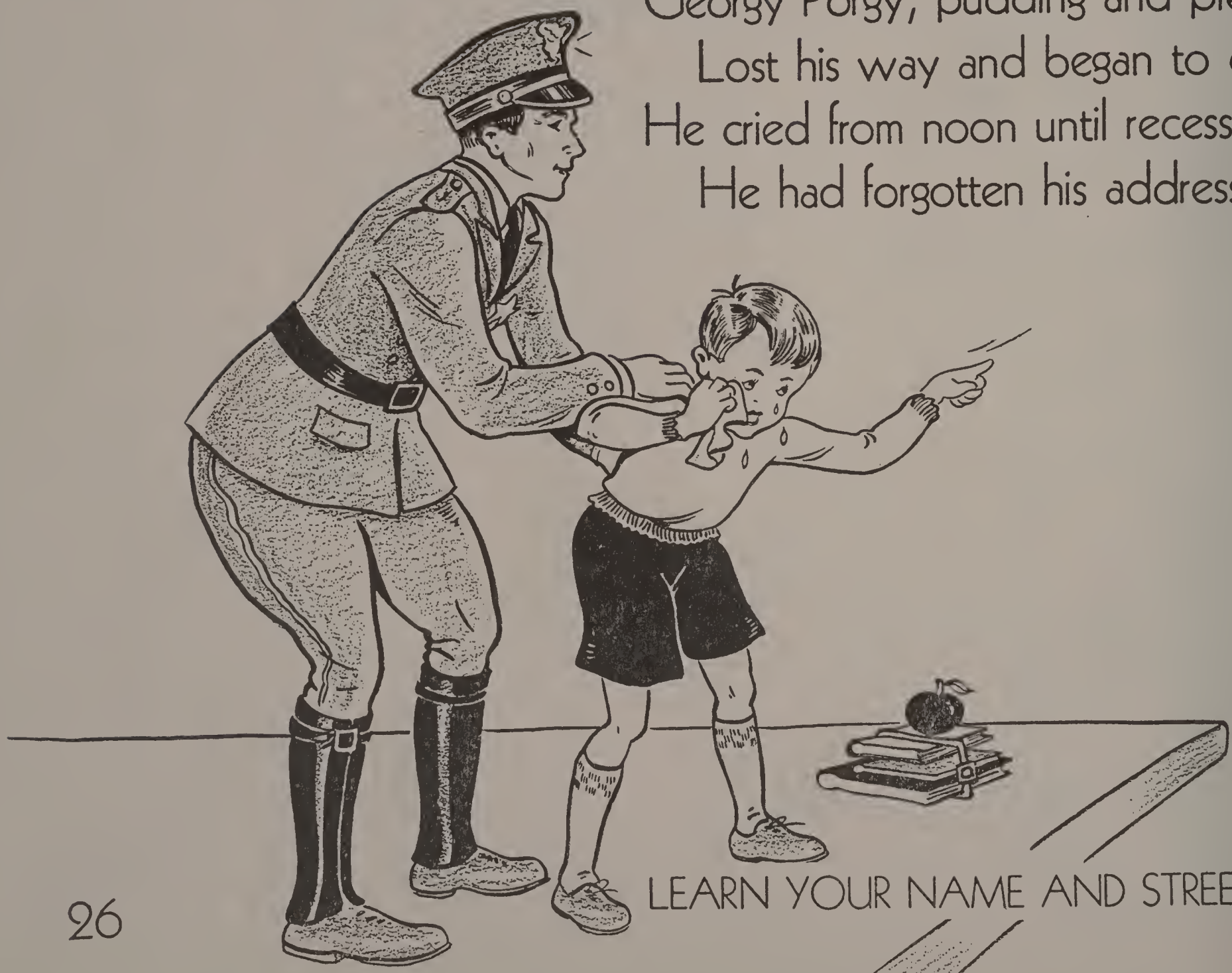
Rub-A-Dub-Dub

Rub-a-dub-dub,
Three men in a tub;
And who do you think they be?
Jaywalker, chance-taker,
Accident-maker;
Turn 'em out, knaves all three!

DON'T TAKE CHANCES

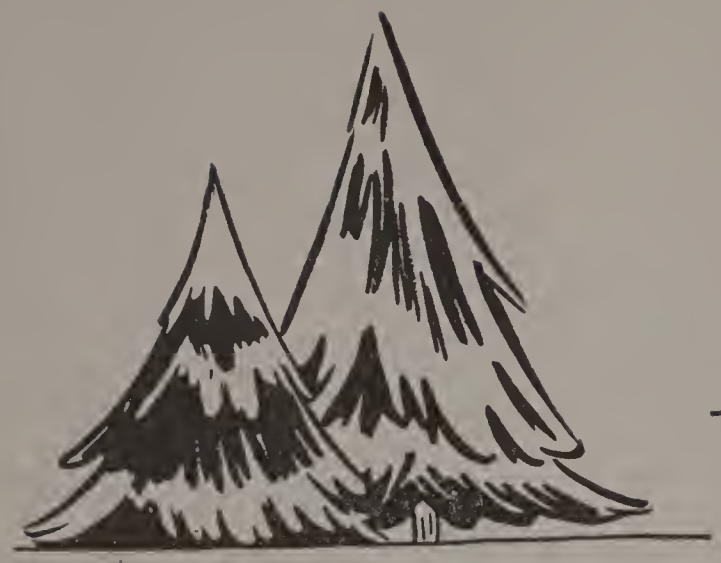
Georgy Porgy

Georgy Porgy, pudding and pie,
Lost his way and began to cry;
He cried from noon until recess,
He had forgotten his address.

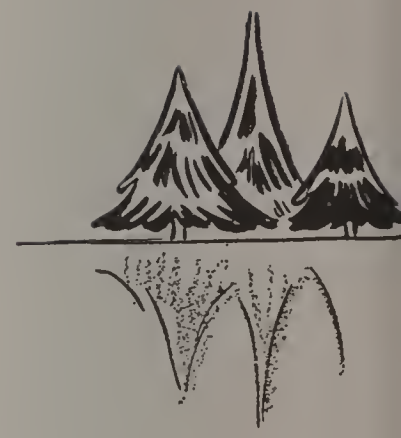


Handy Spandy

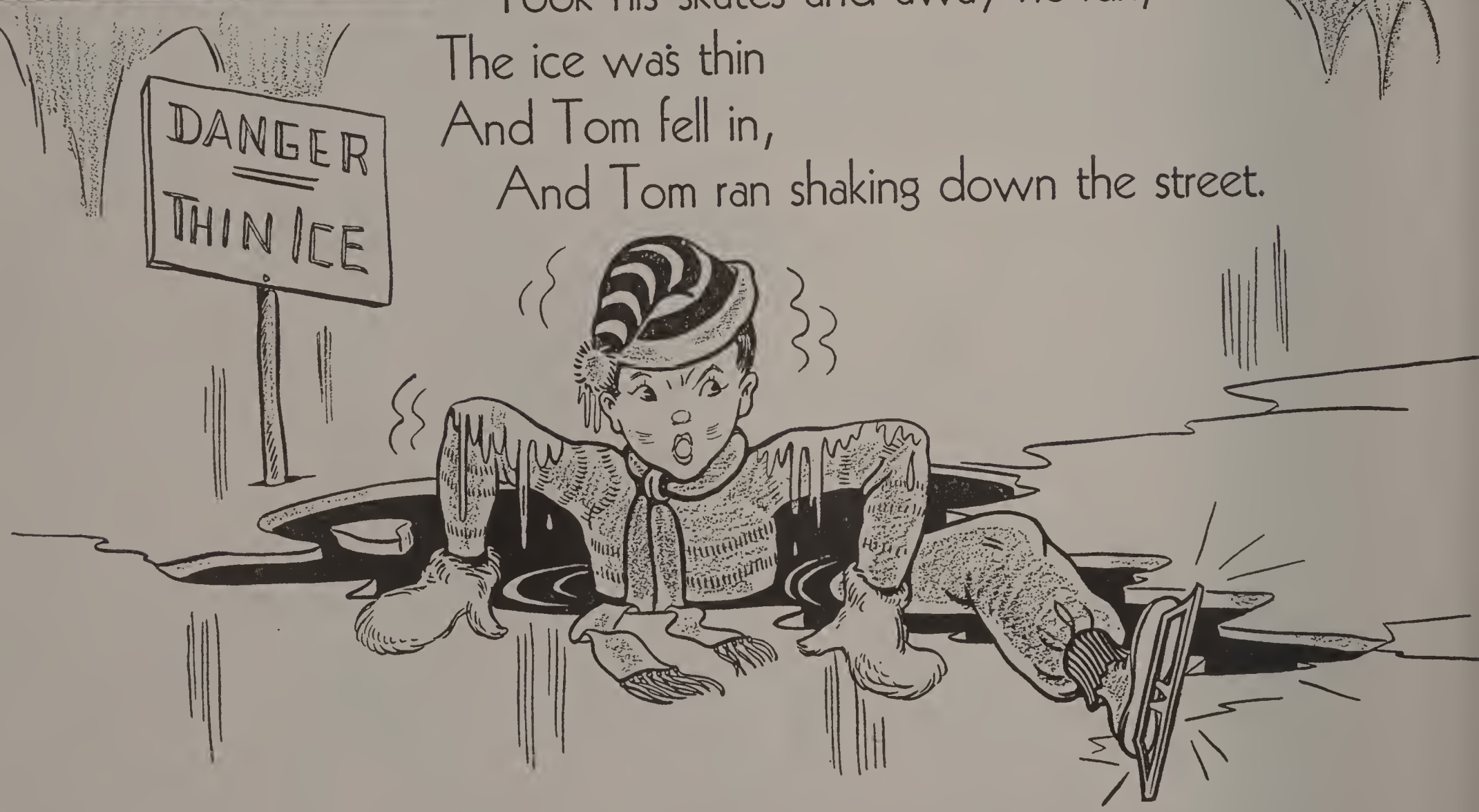
Handy Spandy, Jack-a-dandy,
Ran down town to buy some candy;
He crossed the street when told to stop,
Now Handy minds the traffic cop.



Tom, Tom, the Piper's Son



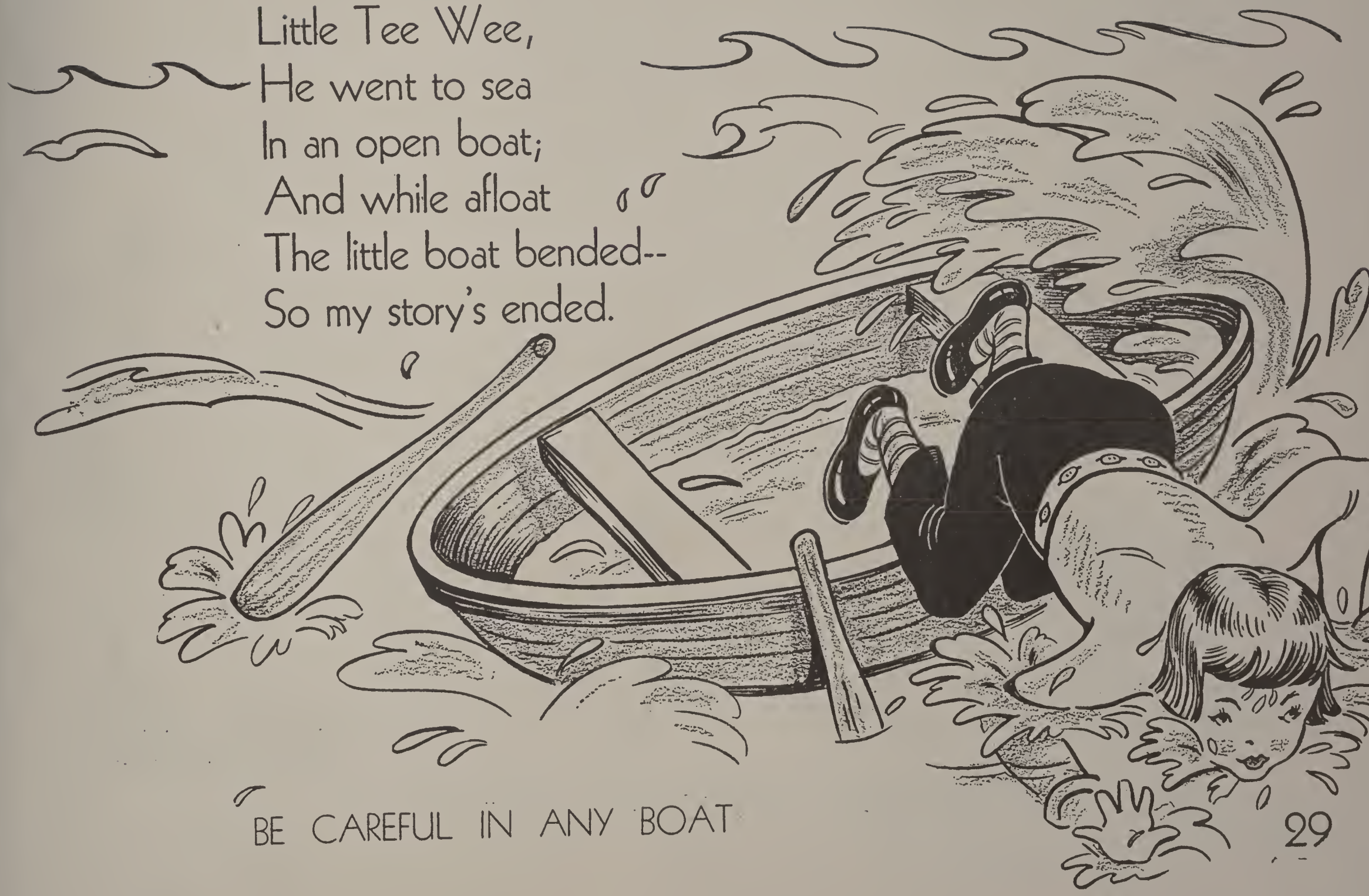
Tom, Tom, the piper's son,
Took his skates and away he run,
The ice was thin
And Tom fell in,
And Tom ran shaking down the street.



NEVER GO SKATING ON THIN ICE

Little Tee Wee

Little Tee Wee,
He went to sea
In an open boat;
And while afloat
The little boat bended--
So my story's ended.



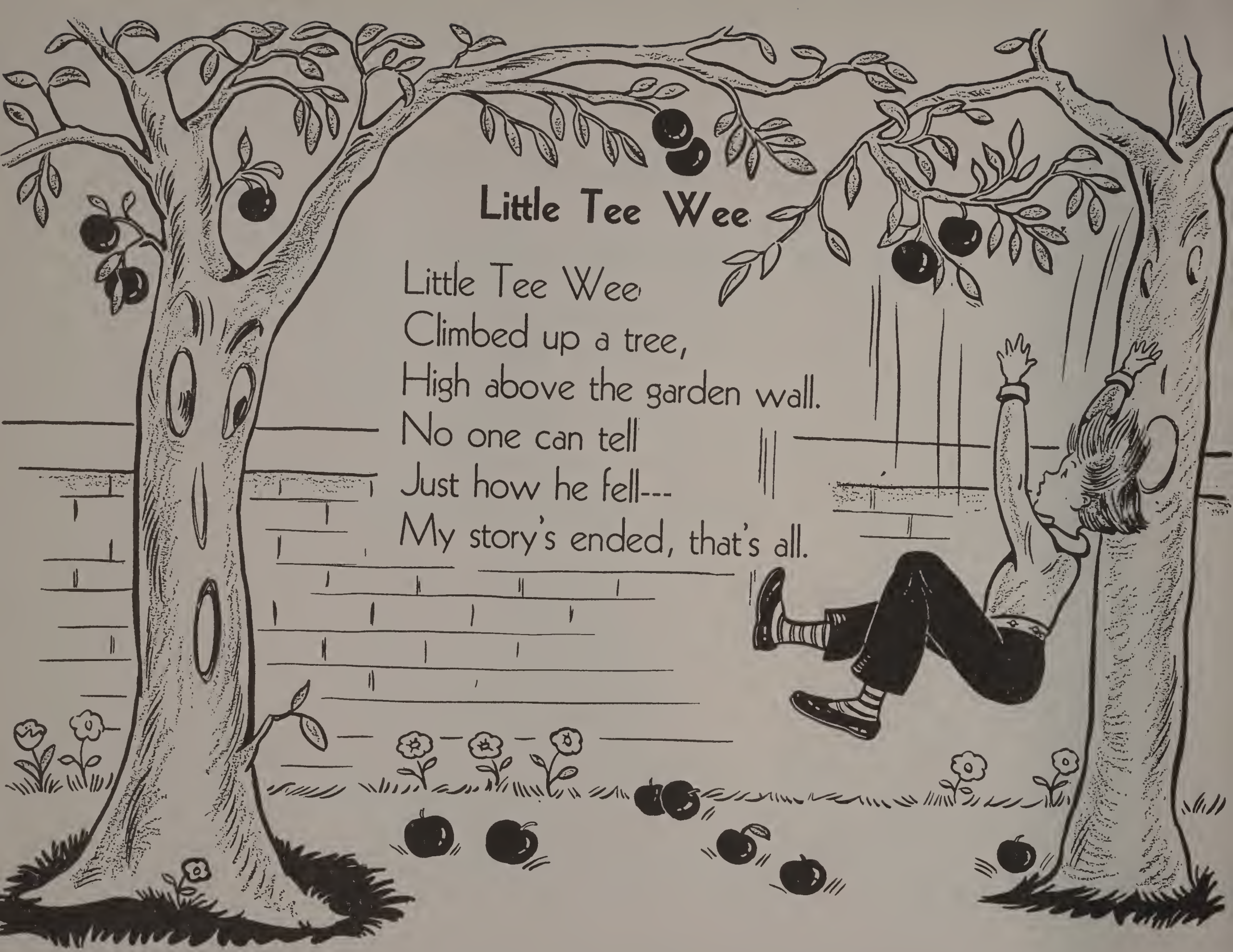
Pussy-Cat, Pussy-Cat

Pussy-cat, pussy-cat, where have you been?
Down by the river bank taking a swim.
Pussy-cat, pussy-cat, you shouldn't go
Into the water alone, you know.

Little Miss Muffet

Little Miss Muffet
Sat on a tuffet,
Crying her heart away.
The poor little lass
Had stepped on some glass,
'Twas the end of Miss Muffet, they say.

WHEN BAREFOOTED, LOOK OUT FOR GLASS AND NAILS



Little Tee Wee

Little Tee Wee
Climbed up a tree,
High above the garden wall.
No one can tell
Just how he fell---
My story's ended, that's all.

BE CAREFUL WHEN CLIMBING LADDERS OR TREES

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